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To: Interested Parties

SAVANNAH RIVER NATIONAL LABORATORY – DRAFT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Environmental Management (EM) is releasing the Draft Request for Proposal (RFP), Solicitation No. 89303320REM000063, pertaining to the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL) procurement, for review. The purpose of the Draft RFP is to solicit questions and comments from all interested parties, and to assist DOE-EM in developing a Final RFP for this procurement.

DOE IS NOT REQUESTING PROPOSALS AT THIS TIME, AND INTERESTED PARTIES SHALL NOT SUBMIT PROPOSALS IN RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT RFP. DOE WILL NOT EVALUATE ANY PROPOSALS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT RFP. PROPOSALS SHALL BE SUBMITTED ONLY IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL RFP, CURRENTLY ANTICIPATED TO BE ISSUED IN JUNE 2020.

DOE-EM hereby invites all interested parties to thoroughly examine the Draft RFP and the accompanying procurement website (https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/sr_national_lab/) in their entirety and to submit comments in writing to the following email address: SRNL@emcbc.doe.gov. During the development of the Final RFP, DOE will consider the comments received from interested parties in response to the Draft RFP.

The SRNL Draft RFP contemplates a standalone performance-based, Cost-Plus-Award-Fee Management and Operating (M&O) contract. The base contract period will be five years (inclusive of a transition period of up to 90 days), and the contract includes award terms that may be earned for up to another five years, for a total of up to 10 years of performance. The contract is estimated to be worth up to \$3.8 billion over the potential 10-year time period. EM is pursuing a source selection process for this M&O contract that includes five technical and management evaluation factors (Laboratory Vision, Key Personnel, Management and Operations, Past Performance, and Transition Plan), along with a cost evaluation factor entitled Cost and Fee. In particular, DOE-EM is seeking feedback from interested parties on the following:

1. Does your entity have any input regarding the level of detail requested within each Evaluation Factor and/or the relative importance of the Evaluation Factors that DOE-EM should consider in making this contractor selection?
2. Are the page limitations included in Section L of the Draft RFP for the Technical and Management Proposal (Volume II) sufficient? If not, please provide input.
3. Are there any questions or concerns regarding performance fee language through the Draft RFP, including, but not limited to, the maximum available performance fee pool contained in Section L?
4. Is the language pertaining to award term incentives in Section F *Award Term Incentive* clear? If not, what is unclear and/or how can this clause be improved?
5. Are the Section H workforce transition and hiring clauses clear to potential Offerors? If not, what is unclear and/or how can these clauses be improved?
6. Are the requirements of Section H *Activities During Contract Transition* clear, complete, and accurate? If not, what is unclear and/or how can this clause be improved?
7. The Past Performance evaluation factor includes an instruction related to parent or affiliated company past performance. Do you have any input on this proposal preparation instruction?
8. Are the instructions within Section L.19 *Proposal Preparation Instructions, Volume III – Cost and Fee Proposal* and Attachment L-6 *Cost and Fee Proposal Worksheets* clear and consistent with each other?
9. Are there any additional specific technical or programmatic documents and/or information that you think would be helpful and should be posted to the EMCBC procurement website's *Documents Library* in order to assist in preparation of proposals? DOE does not anticipate including documents that would require a request for Controlled Unclassified Information under a non-disclosure agreement.
10. Does the Draft RFP contain any potential restrictive barriers to competition? Do barriers exist (DOE imposed or otherwise) that would hinder your firm from participating in this acquisition? Which, if any, of the requirements contained in the Draft RFP do you believe are unnecessary or represent barriers to successful contract performance?
11. DOE is envisioning a 40-day proposal preparation period once the Final RFP is released. Does your entity believe 40 days is sufficient?
12. Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?

Interested parties will have until May 8, 2020, to submit written comments regarding the Draft RFP. All comments shall be submitted in the Microsoft Excel format provided on the procurement website, separated by Draft RFP section. Please do not make any changes to the Microsoft Excel formatting with the exception of adding rows as needed, and please do not submit marketing materials. DOE will not respond to or post on the procurement website any questions or comments pertaining to the Draft RFP; however, DOE will consider comments when preparing the Final RFP. Interested parties will be given the opportunity to submit questions and comments in writing for DOE response once the Final RFP is issued.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Travis Marshall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a vertical line at the end of the last name.

Travis Marshall
Contracting Officer

Enclosure:

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